THE L. A. KINSEY CO.,

INCORPORATED. CAPITAL, \$25,000-FULL PAID. - DEALERS -CHICAGO GRAIN AND PROVISIONS, **NEW YORK STOCKS.**

Commissions on stocks reduced to 14 to buy and sells BRANCHES-10 West Tenth street, Anderson, In Room 12, Boyce Block, Muncie, Ind. 11 and 13 West Pearl Street.

INCREASE IN VOLUME

FIRM STOCKS, BETTER BUSINESS AND MONEY RATES SETTLED.

Trouble Forecasted for Several Com panies-Local Markets Active, with Number of Price Changes.

At New York, yesterday, money on call was easy at 31/204 per cent.; last loan, 31/2; Prices paid by Shippers.

Poultry—Hens, 6c; springs, 6c; broilers, fat, under 2 lbs, 10c; cocks, 3c; turkeys, old hens, 6c; young hens, 8c; old toms, 5c; closed at 314@4.

Prime mercantile paper, 669 per cent. Sterling exchange was firm, with actual business in bankers' bills at \$4.89@4.89% for demand and \$4.87\204.87\ for sixty days; posted rates, \$4.88@4.89 and \$4.89\@4.90; commercial bills, \$4.86%.

Bar silver, 67%c; silver certificates, 67% @67%c. At London bar silver was 20%d per

Total sales of stock were 161,736 shares, including the following: American Sugar, 17,500; American Tobacco, 30,100; Chicago Gas, 6,500; Louisville & Nashville, 6,900 Manhattan, 5,900; St. Paul, 9,700; United States Leather, 3,500; United States Leather

preferred, 30,800; Western Union, 3,200. The principal topic of discussion in Wall, street yesterday was the treasury circular announcing a modification of terms of payment for the impending issue of government bonds. The change admits of the payment of 80 per cent. remaining after the 20 per cent. required to be deposited on the acceptance of the bid in installments of 10 per cent at intervals of fifteen instead of lie; peanuts, roasted, 6@7c; mixed nuts, 11 ten days, as previously called for. This @12c. speads the entire payment over a period of 120 days instead of forty days and greatly lessons the danger of a critical disturbance of the money market. Ever since the open call for subscriptions to the new loan was made, considerable anxiety has been manifested by conservative financiers. As bearing on this point some apprehension is beginning to be felt over the increasing number of assignments of commercia uses in various sections of the country. Aithough money on call and time is quoted in Wall street at or below the legal rate he transactions are based on what is termed gift-edged, that is, unexceptionable stock exchange collateral. On the other there is practically no market for paper except of the very choicest character. This condition has obtained ever since the semi-panic occasioned by the temporary wholesale throwing over of our rallway securities by London, incidental to the war scare. Subsequent that episode uncertainty in regard to the general financial outlook in this country

has prevented improvement. To-day's stock market was quiet throughout and the from the vagaries of some of the industrial shares. The opening though dull was at general advances, partly inspired by im-provement in the prices of the so-called international American shares. In the international American shares. In the early dealings advances of about a point were scored by sugar. Chicago Gas and Leather treferred, mainly on cornering of shorts. The market soon developed a sagging tendency, partly on apprehension of extensive shipments of gold by Saturday's steamers and partly on moderate selling, traced to representative foreign banking houses. The failure of an old established and highly reputed sugar concern had and highly reputed sugar concern had some unfavorable effect. Sugar stock slumped 1% per cent, and Tobacco broke 21/2 per cent to 77%c. The latter depression was variously ascribed to the news of a combination of Southern tobacco manufacturers. The last development was considered to foreshadow trouble for the Ameri-

can Tobacco Company. Late in the day the declining tendency of the market was checked by a sharp advance of 3% per cent, for Leather preferred, carrying the price up to 64%. The common gained 1 er cent. The movement was on heavy buying for both accounts on reports al-uded to last evening in these dispatches. The general list took on strength in sympathy. Tobacco recovered 11/2 per cent. of the early decline and Manhattan rose 2 per cent. The upward movement in Metropolitan traction, recently noted, received a check to-day, the stock reacting 1½ per cent. to 10316. The loss was recovered to within a slight fraction later on reports that the annual statement of earnings, to be issued shortly, would be favorable. The

Bonds ruled higher on moderate dealings. The Hocking Valley issues were the fear tures, the fives rising 3, and the sixes 8 per cent. Sales, \$1,366,000. Government bonds were slightly lower on transactions of \$2,000. State issues figured for \$31,000, mainly Virginia centuries

market closed firm on an increased volume

The following table, prepared by James E. Berry, Room 16. Board of Trade, shows the range of quotations: Open- High- Low- Clos-Adams Express 146 Alton & Terre Haute..

droscoggin, 10-4, 20c.

Prints—Allen dress etyles, 5c; Allen's staples, 4%c; Allen TR, 5c; Allen's robes, 5c; American indigo, 5c; Arnold LLC, 7c; Cocheco fancy, 5%c; Cocheco madders, 5c; Hamilton fancy, 5%c; Manchester fancy, 5%c; Merimac pinks and purples, 5%c; Pacific fancy, 5%c; Pacific robes, 5%c; Pacific mournings, 5c; Simpson, 5%c; Simpson Berlin solids, 6c; American Express 14% 14% 14% Baltimore & Ohlo..... Canada Pacific Canada Southern Chicago & Alton C., B. & Q 751/2 75% 75% 54c: Simpson's mournings, 54c. C. & E. I. pref Ginghams-Amoskeag staples, 51/2c: Amoskeag Persian dress, 6c: Bates Warwick Chicago Gas 65% C., C., C. & St. L..... 351/4 351/4 dress, 6c; Johnson BF fancy, 81/2c; Lancaster, 51/2c; Lancaster Normandies, 6c; Carrollton, 4%c; Renfrew dress, 61/2c; Whitten-Delaware & Hudson...1251/2 1251/2 1251/2 ton Heather, 6c; Calcutta dress styles, 51/2c. Kid-finished Cambrics-Edwards, 4c; War-D. L & W Dis. and C. F.Co 161/2 ren, 3%c; Slater, 4c; Genesee, 4c. Edison Gen. Elec 26 1514 1514 1514 Tickings-Amoskeag ACA, 114c: Conestoga, BF, 121/2c; Cordis 140, 91/2c; Cordis FT, 10c; Cordis ACE, 111/2c; Hamilton awnings, 9c; Kimono fancy, 17c; Lenox fancy, 18c; Metheum AA, 10c; Oakland AF, 51/2c; Ports-Erie pref Great Northern pref... Hocking Valley llinois Central mouth, 11c; Susquehanna, 13c; Shetucket SW, 616c; Shetucket F, 7c; Swift River, 51/6c.

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orthern Pacific

Pullman Palace 814

Paul pref

Manhattan 981/2 1001/4

J. S. Cordage pref 99 99

Northwestern pref. 12% 12% 98% 98% 98% 98%

Reading 814 814 Rock Island 6714 6714

W., St. L. & P. Wells-Fargo Express. 84 86%

Sugar Refinery 102% 103% 102

S. Express

St. L. & P. pref., 161/2 16% 161/4

S. Fours, reg

. S. Fours, coup 109

U. S. Fours, new, coup. 11614

MINING SHARES.

Springs, Col., give the following quotations:

Thursday's Bank Clearings.

on call firm at 6 per cent.; on time, 6@7 per

At New York-Clearings, \$111,101,412; bal-

At Boston-Clearings, \$15,948,057; balances,

At Baltimore - Clearings, \$2,686,481; bal-

At Memphis-Clearings, \$360,027; balances, \$126,682. New York exchange, \$1.50 discount.

At Philadelphia-Clearings, \$12,793,248; bal-

LOCAL GRAIN AND PRODUCE.

At New Orleans-Clearings, \$2,076,611

At Cincinnati-Clearings, \$2,011,950.

ances, \$6,648,124.

Ances, \$1,821,886.

At Chicago-Clearings, \$15,867,712. Money

Doubleday, Rope & Co., of Colorado

S. Fours, new, reg 114

..... 60 1/2 69 1/8 68 1/8

New York Central 97% 97% 97% 97%

Grain Bags-Amoskeag, \$11.50; American, \$11.50; Franklinville, \$13.50; Harmony, \$11; Straight grades, \$3.50@3.75; fancy grades, 1464.25; patent flour, \$4.25@4.75; low grades, Michigan Central 25% 25% Missouri Pacific 5½ 5½

Groceries. Sugars-City Price-Cut loaf, 5.79c; dominoes, 5.79c; crushed, 5.79c; powdered, 5.41c; granulated, 5.16c; coarse granulated, 5.29c ine granulated 5.16c; extra fine granulated. 5.29e; cubes, 5.41c; XXXX powdered, 5.54c mold A, 5.4le; diamond A, 5.16c; confec-tioners' A, 5.6le; 1 Columbia A, 4.9le; 2 Windsor A. 4.91c; 3 Ridgewood A, 4.91c; 4 Phoenix A, 4.85c; 5 Empire A, 4.73c; 6 Ideal golden extra C, 4.66c; 7 Windsor extra C, 4.60c; 8 Ridgewood extra C. 4.60c; 9 yellow extra C. 4.47c; 10 yellow C. 4.41c; 11 yellow, 4.29c; 12 yellow 3, 4.23c; 13 yellow 4, 4.16c; 14 yel-Coffee—Good, 19@20c; prime, 201/@21c; strictly prime, 22@231/c; fancy green and yellow, 241/@25c; Java, 28@32c, Roasted—Old government Java, 321/633c; golden Rio, 25c; Bourbon Santos, 25c; Gilded Santos, Santos, 24c; Cottage blended, Capital blended, 2ic; Pilot, 21½c; Dakota, 19½c; Brazil, 19c; Puritan, 1-lb pkgs, 21¼c; Arbuckle, 20½c.

Salt, in car lots, 95c@\$1; small lots, \$1.05@ Spices-Pepper, 10@18c; allspice, 10@15c cloves, 15@20c; cassia, 12@15c; nutmegs, 65@ 1,000, \$3.50; 1-16 brl, \$5; \$5 brl, \$8; \$4 brl, \$16; No. 2 drab, plain, 1-32 brl, per 1,000, \$4.25; 1-16 brl, \$6.50; \$6 brl, \$1.10; \$4 brl, \$20; No. 1

cream, plain, 1-32 brl, per 1,000, \$7; 1-16 brl, \$8.75; ¼ brl, \$14.50; ¼ brl, \$28.50. Extra charge Woodenware-No. 1 tubs, \$666.25; No. tubs, \$5.25@5.50; No. 3 tubs, \$4.25@4.50; 3-hoop pails, \$1.40@1.50; .2-hoop pails, \$1.15@1.20; double washboards, \$2.25@2.75; common washboards, \$1.25@2.50; clothes pins, 40@65c

Wood Dishes-No. 1, per 1,000, \$2.50; No. 2, \$3; No. 3, \$3.50; No. 5, \$4.50.
Shot-\$1.30@1.35 per bag for drop. Lead-61/207c for pressed bars. Molasses and Syrups-New Orleans mo-lasses, fair to prime, 20@30c; choice, 35@40c; syrups, 18@20c.

Beans—Choice hand-picked navy, \$1.40@
1.50 per bu; medium hand-picked, \$1.35@1.40; limas. California, 5@512c per lb.

Twine—Hemp, 12@18c per lb; wool, 8@10c; flax, 20@30c; paper, 15c; jute, 12@15c; cotton,

Rice-Louisiana, 4@5c; Carolina, 4%@6%c Iron and Steel. Bar fron, \$1.50@1.60; horseshoe bar, 214@ 2%c: nail rod, 7c; plow slabs, 2%c; Ameri-ca:, cast steel, 9@11c; tire steel, 2%@3c; single strap, 44c; black bridle, per doz, \$70@ 75; fair bridle, \$80@90 per doz; city kip, 60@ 75c; French kip, 90c@\$1.20; city calfskins, 90c @\$1.10; French calfskins, \$1.20@2.

Nails and Horseshoes. January. Druggists are having a brisk trade. Iron dealers are quite busy, and Steel cut nails, \$2.25; wire nails, \$2.50 rate. Horseshoes, per keg. \$3.50; mule shoes, per keg, \$4.75; horse nails, \$465 per box. Barb wire, galvanized, \$2.25; painted, \$1.90. this market is thought to be over. On Com-Produce, Fruits and Vegetables.

ticed in some weeks past. Both sugars and

cated. In some lines of dry goods easier

prices have become a feature. Houses are

selling fully the usual average of goods in

leather merchants report trade excellent.

The hide market is active at the higher

range of prices, and the hard sledding in

mission row more is doing. Fruits of the

season are in good supply. Oranges have declined until there is a better demand for

them. The only vegetable in light supply

and higher is cabbage. Receipts of eggs

continue large and prices easy. Receipts

The local grain market has shown more

life the last few days. Receipts are not

lowing range of prices on track: Wheat-No. 2 red, 651/20; No. 3 red, 621/20

large, and all are readily taken at the fol-

Corn-No. 1 white, 261/2c; No. 2 white, 261/2c; No. 3 white, 261/2c; No. 2 white mixed, 261/2c; No. 3 white mixed, 261/2c; No. 2 yellow, 261/4c; No. 3 yellow, 261/4c; No. 2 mixed, 26c;

Oats-No. 2 white, 21c; new No. 3 white, 20c; No. 2 mixed, 19c; new No. 3 mixed, 18c.

Hay-No. 1 timothy, \$13@14; No. 2, \$12@ 12.50; No. 1 prairie, \$9@11.

Poultry and Other Produce.

young toms, 8c; ducks, 7c; geese, 5c per Butter-Choice country, 8@11c.

Beeswax-20c for yellow; 15c for dark. Wool-Medium washed, 14c; fine merino, unwashed, 10c; tubwashed, 20@23c; burry

Game.

HIDES, TALLOW, ETC.

Green-salted hides-No. 1, 61/2c; No. 3/4c; No. 1 calf, 71/2c; No. 2 calf, 6c.

Green Hides—No. 1, 4c; No. 2, 3c; No. 1 calf, 5½c; No. 2 calf, 4c.
Grease—White, 3¾c; yellow, 3c; brown, 3c.
Tallow—No. 1, 3½c; No. 2, 3c.
Bones—Dry, \$12@13 per ton.

THE JOBBING TRADE.

(The quotations given below are the sell-

Candles and Nuts.

Candies-Stick, 64c per lb; common mixed, 4c per lb; G. A. R. mixed, 7c; Banner stick,

0c; cream mixed, 61/2c; old-time mixed, 71/2c. Nuts—Soft-shelled almonds, 12@16c; Eng-

econds, \$1.40@1.50. Miscellaneous-Black

seconds, \$1.40@1.50. Miscellaneous—Black berries, 2-pound, 70@80c; raspberries, 2-pound, 90@95c; pineapple, standard, 2-pound, \$1.25@1.35; choice, \$2@2.50; cove oysters, 1-pound, full weight, 90@95c; light, 60@65c; 2-pound, full weight, \$1.60@1.70; light, \$1.10@1.20; string beans, 75@85c; Lima beans, \$1.10@1.20; peas, marrowfat, 90c@1.10; early June, 90c@\$1.10; lobsters, \$1.85@2; red cherries, 90c@\$1. strawberries, 90@95c; salmon 1-pound, \$1.10@1.20; 3-pound tomatoes, 80@85c.

Coal and Coke.

The following are the prices on coal and

Anthracite coal, \$7 per ton; Pittsburg ump, 34; Brazil block, \$3; Winifrede lump,

\$4; Jackson lump, \$4; Green county lump, \$2.75; Paragon lump, \$2.50; Green county nut, \$2.50; Blossburg coal, \$4.50; crushed

coke, \$3.25 per 25 bu; lump coke, \$2.75; foun-

Dried Fruits.

Currants 41/05c per lb. Peaches—Common sun-dried, 8@10 per lb

California, 10@12c; California fancy, 121/2@

Raisins—Loose Muscatels, \$1.25@1.40 per box; London layer, \$1.35@1.75 per box; Valencia, 6½@8½c per lb; layer, 9@10c.

Drugs.

Alcohol, \$2.41@2.60; asafetida, 25@30c; alum, 2½@4c; camphor, 65@70c; cochineal, 50@65c; chloroform, 65@70c; copperas, brls, 40@45c; cream tartar, pure, 28@30c; indigo, 65@80c; licorice, Calab., genuine, 30@40c; magnesia, carb., 2-oz, 25@35c; morphine, P. & W., per oz, \$1.75@2; madder, 14@16c; oil, castor, per gal 96c@31; oil bergamot, per lb \$2.75;

gal., 96c@\$1; oil, bergamot, per lb, \$2.75; opium, \$2; quinine, P. & W., per oz, 42@43c; balsam copaiba, 50@55c; soap, castile, Fr., 12@16c; soda, bicarb., 4½@6c; salts, Epsom, 4@5c; sulphur flour, 5@6c; saltpeter, \$20c;

turpentine, 32@38c; glycerine, 19@22c; iodide potassium, \$3@3.10; bromide potassium, 45@

47c; chlorate potash, 20c; borax, 12@14c; cin-chonida, 12@15c; carbolic acid, 22@26c. Cils—Linseed, 38@40c per gal; coal oil, le-gal test, 7@14c; bank, 40c; best straits, 50c;

Labardor, 60c; West Virginia lubricating, 20@30c; miners', 45c; lard oils, winter-strained, in brls, 60c per gal; in half brls, 3c

Dry Goods.

Bleached Sheetings—Androscoggin L, 714c;
Berkeley, No. 60, 8c; Cabot, 7c; Capital, 6c;
Cumberland, 714c; Dwight Anchor, 8c; Fruit
of the Loom, 8c; Farwell, 714c; Fitchville,
7c; Full Width, 6c; Gilt Edge, 614c; Gilded
Age, 514c; Hill, 714c; Hope, 714c; Linwood,
714c; Lonsdale, 8c; Lonsdale cambric, 914c;
Masonville, 8c; Peabody, 6c; Pride of the
West, 11c; Quinebaugh, 6c; Star of the Nation, 614c; Ten Strike, 514c; Pepperell, 9-4,
19c; Pepperell, 10-4, 21c; Androscoggin, 9-4,
20c; Androscoggin, 10-4, 22c.

Brown Sheetings—Atlantic A, 614c; Argyle, 514c; Boott C, 5c; Buck's Head, 614c;
Clifton CCC, 6c; Constitution, 40-inch, 614c;
Carlisle, 40-inch, 714c; Dwight's Star, 714c;
Great Falls E, 6c; Great Falls J, 5c; Hill
Fine, 714c; Indian Head, 614c; Lawrence LL,

Fine, 7½c; Indian Head, 6½c; Lawrence LL, 5c; Pepperell E, 6½c; Pepperell R, 6c; Pepperell, 9-4, 17c; Androscoggin, 9-4, 18c; Androscoggin, 10-4, 20c.

Apricots-Evaporated, 9@13c. Prunes-California, 6@10c per lb.

coke as retailed in this market:

dry coke, \$6 per ton.

per gal extra.

Figs-Layer, new, 15c.

lish walnuts, 12c; Brazil nuts, 10c; filberts,

ing prices of the wholesale dealers.)

Feathers-Prime geese, 30@32c per mixed duck, 20c per lb.

Eggs-Shippers paying 14@15c. Honey-New, 15@18c per lb.

and unmerchantable, 5c less.

Rabbits-70@80c.

Ducks-\$2.50.

of poultry are fair and prices steady.

No. 3 mixed, 26c; ear corn, 24c.

coffees are unsettled and lower prices indi-

Bananas-Per bunch, \$1@1.25. Cranberries, \$2.75@3 per box; \$8 per brl; fancy Cape Cod berry, \$3 per box; \$9 per brl; Jersey cranberries, \$3 per box; \$7.50 per brl. Cabbage \$1.25@1.50 per brl; sauer kraut, \$4

Cheese-New York full cream 10@12c; skims, 6@8c per 1b. Lemons-Messina, choice, \$3@3.50 per box fancy lemons, \$4. Apples-Common, \$2@2.50 per brl; choice apples, \$3@3.50. Oranges-Jamaica, \$6@6.50 per brl: California navels, \$3@3.50 per box; seedlings, \$3 Onions-50@60c per bu: Spanish onions.

\$1.25 per crate.
Potatoes—30@35c per bu.
Celery—25@35c per bunch.
Grapes—Malaga grapes, \$6@6.50 per keg.
Sweet Potatoes—Kentucky, \$2.50 per brl;
Cobdens, \$3 per brl; Kansas, \$3.25 per brl. Cider-New, \$4. Cocoanuts-50c per doz.

Provisions. Bacon-Clear sides, 40 to 50 lbs average, 61/2c; 30 to 40 lbs average, 61/8c; 20 to 30 lbs average, 6%c. Bellies, 25 lbs average, 6%c; 14 to 16 lbs average, 6%c; 10 to 12 lbs average, 7c; clear backs, 20 to 30 lbs average, 614c; 12 to 16 lbs average, 65c; 8 to 10 lbs average, 6%c. Hams-Sugar-cured, 18 to 20 lbs average, 9%c; 15 lbs average, 10c; 12% lbs average, 10%c; 10 lbs average, 10%c; block hams, 10c. all first brands; seconds, 1%c less. California hams, sugar-cured, 10 to 12 lbs average, 6%c; boneless hams, sugar-cured, 71682

Dry-salted Meats-Clear sides, about 50 to 60 lbs average, 5%c; 35 to 40 lbs average, 6c; 20 to 30 lbs average, 6%c; clear bellies, 20 to 30 lbs average, 5%c; 18 to 22 lbs average, 5%c; clear backs, 20 to 30 lbs average, 5%c; 12 to 16 lbs average, 6c. Breakfast Bacon-Clear firsts, 10c; sec-Lard-Kettle-rendered, in tierces, 7%c; pure lard, 6%c. Shoulders-English-cured, 12 lbs average, 6%c; 16 lbs average, 6%c. Pickled Pork-Bean pork, clear, per brl, 200 lbs, \$12.50; rump pork, \$10.

Clover-Choice recleaned, 60 lb, \$4.50@4.60; prime, \$4.50@4.60; English choice, \$4.50@4.60; prime, \$4.40@4.50; alsike, choice, \$5@5.50; alfalfa, choice, \$4@4.25; crimson or scarlet clover, \$2.90@3; timothy, 45 lbs, choice, \$1.90@ 2; strictly prime, \$2.05@2.15; fancy Kentucky, lbs, 80c@\$1; extra clean, 65@70c. Orchard grass, extra, \$1.05; red top, choice, 80c@\$1; extra clean, 90c@\$1; English blue Peaches—Standard 3-pound, \$1.50@1.75; 3-pound seconds, \$1.20@1.40; 3-pound pie, \$5@ 90c; California standard \$1.75@2; California grass, 24 lb, \$1.85@2.

Tinners' Supplies. Best brand charcoal tin, IC, 10x14, 14x20, 12x12, \$5,50@6; IX, 10x14, 14x20, 12x12, \$7@7.50; IC, 14x20, roofing tin, \$4.50@5; IC, 20x28, \$9@10; block tin, in pigs, 19c; in bars, 20c. Iron -27 B iron, \$3; C iron, 30c; galvanized, 75 per cent. discount. Sheet zinc, 6@6½c. Copper bottoms, 21c. Planished copper, 20c. Solder, 11@12c.

REAL-ESTATE TRANSFERS. Nine Transfers, with a Total Consid-

eration of \$9,500. Instruments filed for record in the recorder's office of Marion county, Indiana, for the twenty-four hours ending at 5 p. m., Jan. 16, 1896, as furnished by Theo. Stein, abstracter of titles, Hartford Block, No. 86 East Market street.

William D. Hynes to John S. Miller and wife, lot 13, Hayden's subdivision of block 22, Johnson's heirs' addition..\$2,700 Jacob J. Hill to George W. Grose, lot 21, Hadley's Grandview addition..... 2,800 Charles Walker to Harry M. Walker, lot 14, Osgood's subdivision of Osgood's North Park addition ... Harry M. Walker to Mary J. Walker, lot 44, Osgood's subdivision of Osgood's North Park addition .. Charles Walker to Harriett E. Walker, part of lot 7, Osgood's North Park addition Elijah B. Martindale to Charles T. Brown, lot 28, square 10, Lincoln and wife, lot 5, block 6, North-side

dition Louis N. Charles to George Sadlier, lot 51, Elliott's subdivision of outlot 156 800

Transfers, 9; considerati.on.......\$9,500

THE MINISTER-SALOON KEEPER. He Opens Business with Prayer and

Sells Liquor on Sunday. New York Tribune. The Rev. Julius Feicke, who abandoned the ministry because he could not make money enough at it, and engaged in the more lucrative business of selling beer in Hoboken, was before the Classis of South Bergen yesterday afternoon to answer the charges preferred against him. After hear-ing the case the Classis decided to suspend him and erase his name from the roll. This does not forever close the door of the Classis against him. If he repents and ceases to sell liquor he will be reinstated. The Classis convened in the Wayne-street Reformed Church, in Jersey City. The charges against Mr. Feicke were, having wilfully deserted the ministry without giving adequate reasons to the Classis. To this charges have the charges against the ministry without giving adequate reasons to the Classis. To this charge the charge th charge he entered a plea of guilty. The othy seed, \$3.80@3.85c; mess pork, \$9.85@9.90; other allegation was that he engaged in a lard, 5.62\2@5.65c; short-rib sides floose), 4.85 scandalous traffic. This he disputed. The @4.90c; dry-salted shoulders (boxed), 4560 Rev. Charles L. Clist, of Plainfield, the 434c; short-clear sides (boxed), 514054c; moderator, presided, and the Rev. Mr. whisky, distillers' finished goods, \$1.22. Jones, of Bayonne, acted as clerk. "I did not go into the saloon business until I had carefully thought over the matter and consulted my friends," Mr. Feicke 9,000 bu; barley, 50,000 bu; Shipments—Flour, told the Classis. "I decided to embark in oatas, 147,000 bu; rye, 1,000 bu; barley, the saloon business in Hoboken, and I 23,000 bu. pson's oil finish, 6c: Simpson's grays, man may lead an honorable life, even if he is a saloon keeper. I have tried to sow good seeds since I have been a saloon keeper. I never begin business for the day without family devotion, and we never go to bed without having prayers-"I don't see why we should listen to this long harangue about his ecclesiastical saimpatiently remarked the Rev. Mr. Kommers, of the Lafayette Reformed Church, Jersey City, interrupting Mr.

"I think the brother has a right to make defense," replied the Rev. Dr. Britt, calmiv, but firmly. "I did what I believed to be my duty, resumed Mr. Feicke. "I did it conscientiously. I do not sell beer to make money, but to support my family. Brother, what about selling beer on asked the Rev. Dr. Brett. "I would be the first to say saloons should be closed on Sunday forenoons," replied Mr. Feicke. "But being a German, I would say, why not let people drink beer on Sunday afternoons. In Germany clergymen with their families go to the public places on Sunday afternoon and drink beer. "Yes, but you are violating the law?" "I did not want to sell liquor on Sunday in the beginning, but Christian Ostendorf, collector for the brewery, told me that my business would be damaged if I did not keep open on Sunday. Over in Hoboken, know, all the saloons are open on Sunday, and we do not have to pay any protection money either. Why, customers would boycott me if I did not keep open on

"Did you not know that you were violating the law by selling beer on Sundays?" asked the Moderator. "Certainly," was the answer. 'I knew it was illegal, but in Hoboken the Sunday closing is not enforced. If I had been told by a single officer to close I would not have sold a drop of beer on Sunday. Not firm; mess, \$10.50@10.75; short a single policeman has bothered me. I 12.50; family, \$10.50. Tailow firm. admit it may not be a nice thing for an ordained minister to conduct a saloon, but there is nothing contemptible or scandalous about the business. While God gives people beer to drink surely there must be some one to dispense the drink. I am prepared to take up the ministry again if I can find a church that would give me a salary large enough to enable me to support my family. You cannot pay rent and educate five children on \$700 a year." Mr. Feicke strenuously denied that he contemplated giving any variety entertain-

ments at his place, but he said he would give a course of short lectures. The first will be delivered to-morrow night by him. His subject will be "Franz van Sickinger, the Eminent Soldier of the Sixteenth Cen-When the Classis reached its decision Mr. Feicke was delighted, and thanked the

members. Laureate Poetry.

New York Commercial Advertiser. The "Little Breeches" sort of poetry was all right for John Hay, who invented it, and the wallowing in the pathetic by "'Ostler Joe" Simms was all right for Simms, who was incapable of anything better. When, however, an English laureate descends to this "loafin' round the throne" business in recording a patriotic episode, it is calcu-

WHEAT TOOK A FALL

ALL CEREALS BECAME WEAK AND RESULTED IN FINAL DECLINES.

Provisions Were Strong from the Start, Leading the Markets in Activity and Closing at Good Advances.

CHICAGO, Jan. 16.-Everything started on the jump to-day, taking the cue from provisions, but the high finks ended with the first hour of the session. The grain markets cut loose from the lead of provisions, for while the latter persisted in holding on to some of the advance, wheat, corn and oats dropped all of theirs and about 4c all around besides. Pork closed 171/2c higher; lard, .121/2c and ribs .15c higher.

for May being at 60%c, or a trifle higher 26c; May, 29%c. Oats dull and steady; No. than the closing yesterday. A rise of from 2 mixed, 19c bid; No. 2 white, 20%c. Rye 1/2d to 1/2d in Liverpool at the opening was reported with another advance in the course to arrive, \$4.35. Receipts-Wheat, 8,000 bu; of the day, bringing it up from %d to 1d, the gain being due to improved demand and light offerings, it was said. The European political outlook, if judged from value of English consols, was eminently peaceful, those securities being up to 107%, the high-Cincinnati Price Current said that the weath- at 5.50c. Bulk meats in good demand at er of the past week had been rather trying on the wheat plant. Export clearances from the Atlantic seaboard were equal in wheat and flour to 435,000 bushels, but there seemed to be a good deal of apprehension in regard to the business and financial outlook and operators were complaining of the difficulty in making loans at the banks, which tended to check the speculative impulse. Minneapolis reported that stocks of wheat there had increased 400,000 bushels in three days and would probably show an increase of 700,000 bushels for the week, and this helped the bearish feeling which began to develop. The closing cables showed only a 14d gain, but Paris was quoted firm at a shade higher for flour and wheat as before. The French buyers were more active, they a shade higher for flour and wheat as before. Berlin came 1¼ marks higher for near months and 1½ marks higher for the more remote. New York messages said that bad reports were being received there, the crop prospects in south Russia and the bulls here had that added to their previous knowledge of partially ruined crops in Australia and India and a poor crop in Argentine, while the home prospects are by no means encouraging. After opening at 60%c for May and advancing to 60%c, the price worked back in the course of an hour and a half to 59%c and 60c and from about 11 o'clock reports were being received there, the crop back in the course of an hour and a half to 59%c and 60c and from about 11 o'clock to within forty-five minutes of the close trading was done for the most part at one or the other of those prices or at the split between. It rose to 60%c again on some buying thought to be for foreign account and closed at 59%c. Corn opened strong and trading was brisk for an hour, but following the other mar-

kets it became dull and an easier feeling was the predominating feature during the session. May opened 1/4c higher at 29c, dropped back to 28%c and held to that until about an hour from the close, when it slid off another 16c to 28% and showed no dis-position to get up again. The big estimate for to-morrow caused a further reduction and the latest trading was at 28%c, the lowest point of the day's range. A fair general business was doing in oats.

The market was higher early in sympathy with corn and wheat, declined later for the same reason. The close showed values 4c off from yesterday on May and 4c on July. May opened fractionally higher at from 20c to 20%c. sold to 19%c and closed with that

Provisions opened with a boom, which reached its loudest reverberation about thirty minutes from the opening. The hog receipts continue small and prices fluctuated rather wilding. While the early advance was not all maintained to the end enough of it was to send the shorts home anxious and dispirited. Compared with the average of a day's speculative trading the day's business was immense. May pork opened at from \$10.121/2 to \$10.20, advanced to \$10.40 and closed at \$10.171/2. May lard started at 5.85c and rose rapidly to 5.971/2c, selling off again to and closing at 5.921/4c. May ribs opened at from 5.05c to 5.10c, improved to 5.20c and closed at 5.121/4@5.15c. Estimated receipts Friday-Wheet, 62 cars; corn, 725 cars; oats, 200; hogs, 24.000 head. Leading futures ranged as follows: Open-d'High- Low- Clos-

Articles. est Wheat-Jan. ... Feb. May ****** Corn-Jan. May July Sept. Oats-Jan. Fab. May May 20 July 2044 Pork—Jan.\$19.15 \$10.40 \$10.12½ 10.17½ 5.65

Lard—Jan. 5.85 5.921/2 Ribs—Jan. 5.65 5.20 Cash quotations were as follows: Flour steady. No. 2 spring wheat, 56%@57%c; No. 3 spring wheat, 56%@57c; No. 2 red, 61%@ Receipts-Floor, 7,000 bris; wheat, 31,000 bu; corn, 325,000 bu; dats, 269,000 bu; rye,

AT NEW YORK.

Ruling Prices in Produce at the Seaboard's Commercial Metropolis. NEW YORK, Jan. 16 .- Flour-Receipts, 14,800 bris; exports, 21,200 bris. The market ruled very quiet and concessions were asked for, but mills refused to reduce limits; low grades dull and weak. Rye flour steady. Buckwheat flour quiet. Buckwheat quiet, Corn meal dul. Rye inactive. Barley dull. Barley malt

Wheat exports, 113,800 bu; spot dull; No. red, 70%c; No. 1 hard, 70%c. Options opened firm and remained so all the forencon, helped by strong cable news, foreign buying and sympathy with provisions. Traders all went long, and in the late afternoon attempted to unload, breaking prices sharply. The close was at 1/61/40 net decline. No. 2 red January closed at 67%c; May, 67%

Corn-Receipts, 4,900 bu; exports, 24,200 bu Spot quiet. Options opened firm, assisted by local covering and the advance in prodsions, but reacted later under big carot estimates and closed partially 4c lower. May, 35@35%c, closed at 35c. Oats-Receipts, 69,600 bu; exports, 3,500 bu. Spot dull; No. 2, 24c. Options dull and featureless all day, closing 1/3c lower. January closed at 237/3c; May, 217/3/2211/3c, closing at Hay quiet. Hops weak. Hides nominal

Leather steady. Wool quiet. Beef firm. Cut meats firm; pickled hams, 814@814c. Lard firm; Western steam closed at 5,55c asked; January, 5,95c, nominal, Pork firm; mess, \$10.50@10.75; short clear, \$11@ Cotton seed dull; no export demand and buyers indifferent; most quotations nom Coffee-Options opened barely steady and

partially 5 points lower; ruled quiet and tone under local pressure, and closed quiet at 50010 points net advance. Sales, 4,250 bags. including January, 13.30@13.40c; March, 12.05 @13.15c. Spot coffee-Rio dull; No. 7, 14c. Mild dull; Cordova, 17@18c; sales, 1,000 bags Rio No. 6 at 15c spot, 3,700 bags Maracalbo and 750 bags Bogota p. t. Warehouse deliveries from New York yesterday, 5,479 bags; New York stock, 254,711 bags. Sugar-Raw dull; refined quiet.

TRADE IN GENERAL.

and prices advanced, there being consid erable buying for long account; later the market eased off and the market closed 'sc under yesterday. Spot active and firm; No. 2 red, cash, 63c; No. 2 hard, 55½c; January, 55½c; May, 59%c. Corn advanced at the opening, though the trade in futures was quiet and the gain in prices light; a relapse occurred late and the market eased off.

there. Flaxseed quotable at 86c. Timothy seed, \$3@3.50. Hay-Prairie in demand for hoice, which is scarce at \$5.50@8.50; timothy, heavy receipts of low grades, choice scarce at \$8@14 this side. Butter unchanged. Eggs higher at 141/2c. Whisky, \$1.22. Cotton ties, 72c. Bagging, 4@5c. Pork higher; standard mess, jobbing, new, \$10.25; old, \$9.75. Lard higher; prime steam, 5.40c; choice, 5.55c. Bacon-Boxed shoulders, 5.50c; longs, 5.621/2c; ribs, 5.55c; shorts, 5.874c. Dry-salted meats -Boxed shoulders, 4.624c; longs, 4.75c; ribs, 4.87%c; shorts, 5c. Receipts-Flour, 3.000 bris; wheat, 26,000 bu; corn, 68,000 bu; oats, 31,000 bu. Shipments-Flour, 4,000 brls; wheat, 13,000 bu; corn, 51,000 bu; oats,

BALTIMORE, Jan. 16.-Flour unchanged Wheat firm; spot and month, 67%c bid; May, 68%@69c; receipts, 413 bu; Southern wheat on grade, 65@68c. Corn easy; spot and month, 32%@32%c; May, 351%c; steamer mixed, 31%@31%c; receipts, 75,656 bu; Southern white and velous 2216@331%c. Oats firm: ern white and yellow, 321/20331/2c. Oats firm; No. 2 white Western, 240241/2c; No. 2 mixed, 221/2023c. Rye firm; No. 2 Western 4lc. Hay firm and unchanged. Grain freights steady and unchanged. Butter, eggs and cheese steady and unchanged.

TOLEDO, Jan. 16.-Wheat lower and Wheat opened active, opening quotations weak; No. 2, cash, 67c; May, 68%c. Corn active and lower; No. 2 mixed, 27c; No.3 mixed, dull; No. 2, cash. 38c bid. Clover seed steady; prime, cash. \$4.37½; February, \$4.40; corn, 56,500 bu; clover seed, 164 bags. Shipments-Flour, 1,500 brls; wheat, 14,000 bu; corn, 15,000 bu; oats, 2,000 bu clover seed, 175 bags.

CINCINNATI, Jan. 16.-Flour steady. Wheat quiet; No. 2 red, 67c; receipts, 1,000 bu; shipments, 1,500 bu. Corn easy; No. 2 est price they were ever quoted at. The mixed, 28c. Oats easier; No. 2 mixed, 204 Cincipnati Price Current said that at. The @20%c. Rye dull; No. 2, 37%c. Lard strong 4.871/2c. Bacon strong at 5.871/2c. Whisky quiet; sales, 439 bris, at \$1.22. Butter steady. Sugar active. Eggs quiet at 15c. Cheese steady. DETROIT, Jan. 16 .- Wheat dull; No. 2 red, 66½c; May, 68½c. Corn—No. 2, 28c. Oats— No. 2 white, 22c; mixed, 19c. Rye—No. 2, 37½c. Clover seed, \$4.50.

LONDON, Jan. 16.-A capital selection was offered at the wool auction sales to-day, and met with a strong demand from American buyers at extreme figures. All deep shafty combings are tending higher, and fully 700 bales more were purchased to-day. taking good scoured. The number of bales offered to-day was 8,966, of which 900 were withdrawn. Following are the sales in detail: New South Wales-1,330 bales; scoured,

Butter, Eggs and Cheese. NEW YORK, Jan. 16.-Butter-Receipts 3,553 packages; market steady; creamery, 16@24c; Elgins, 24c. Cheese—Receipts, 5,213 packages; market quiet; State large, 74@ 10c; small, 74@10%c; part skims, 34@6c; full skims, 2@3c. Eggs—Receipts, 6,107 packages; market steady; State and Pennsylvania, 18@19c; Western, 18c; Southern, 61/2@171/c.

CHICAGO, Jan. 16.-On the Produce Exchange to-day the butter market was steady; dairy, 12@20c; creamery, 18@23c. Cheese quiet at 8%@9%c. Eggs dull; fresh, PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 16.-Butter dull; fancy Western creamery, 23c. Eggs firm; fresh Western, 17@18c. Cheese unchanged.

WILMINGTON, Jan. 16.—Rosin firm; strained, \$1.35; good. \$1.40. Spirits of turpentine steady at 291/2630c. Tar steady at Turpentine firm; soft, \$1.50; virgin, \$1.90

NEW YORK, Jan. 16.—Petroleum weak United closed at \$1.46 bid. Rosin quiet Spirits of turpentine steady at 321/2033c. OIL CITY, Jan. 16.—Oil certificates. February delivery, opened and closed at \$1.40. Shipments, 57,786 bris; runs, 89,661 bris. SAVANNAH, Jan. 16.-Spirits of turpentine firm at 30c. Rosin nominal. CHARLESTON, Jan. 16.-Rosin firm a \$1.15@1.35. Spirits of turpentine firm at 29c.

NEW YORK, Jan. 16.-Pig iron weak Copper easy; brokers, 10c; exchange, 9.75@ 9.85c. Lead quiet; brokers, 2.90c; exchange, 3@3.021/2c. Tin steady; straits, 13@13.10c Plates weak. Spelter quiet. ST. LOUIS, Jan. 16.-Lead easier, with

sales of 3 cars Missouri at 2.771/2c, 190 tons Missouri at 2.771/2c, 3 cars chemical and 25 cars delivered at 2.80c. Spelter salable at Cotton. NEW ORLEANS, Jan. 16 .- Cotton steady; middling, 713-16c; low middling, 79-16c; good ordinary, 74c. Net receipts, 11,030 bales; gross, 11,297 bales; sales, 3,150 bales;

stock, 410,294 bales. NEW YORK, Jan. 16 .- Cotton closed easy; middling uplands, 83-16c; middling gulf, 87-16c; sales, 923 bales. Dry Goods.

NEW YORK, Jan. 16 .- The better inquiry of previous reports shows greater improvement to-day, and has been succeeded by considerable business, while much more in prospect. All classes of staple and colored cottons have had more attention. Printing cloths have had more inquiry, and very fair sales of odd cloths were made.

LIVE STOCK.

Cattle Scarce and Stronger-Hogs Active and Stronger-Sheep Steady. INDIANAPOLIS, Jan. 16.-Cattle-Receipts light; shipments light. There was a light supply and the market was stronger on the better grades; others were barely steady. A few late arrivals were held over

for to-morrow. Export grades.....\$1.00@4.50 Shippers, medium to good...... 3.50@3.90 hippers, common to fair..... Feeders, good to choice 3.20603.50 Stockers, common to good...... 2.50@3.00 Heifers, good to choice 3.00@3.40 Heifers, fair to medium 2.40@3.80 Helfers, common to thin...... 1.75@2.25 Cows, fair to medium..... 2.00@2.35 lows, common old...... Veals, good to choice..... Veals, common to medium..... 3.50@4.25 Bulls, good to choice..... 2.50@3.00 Bulls, common to medium...... 1.75@2.25 Hogs-Receipts, 3,500; shipments, 2,300. The market opened fairly active at prices strong to 5c higher, packers and shippers

sold. Late arrivals showed a weaker feel-Packing and shipping\$3.90@6.971 light 3.85@3.95 Heavy roughs 3.00@2.60 Pigs 3.90@3.75

buying and the light receipts were soon

Sheep and lambs-Receipts, 600; shipments light. The supply was light. All fat grades were in demand at steady prices; others were slow of sale. Sheep, good to choice.....\$3.00@3.50 Sheep, fair to medium...... 2.40@2.75 Sheep, common thin 1.75@2.25

Elsewhere. CHICAGO, Jan. 16.-Cattle buyers held back to-day, but the run was so light that

prices were maintained, although the ad-

eral demand for beef cattle at \$3.25@4.75 for

vance was checked. There was a light gen-

common to strictly choice, with sales chiefly at \$3.80@4.50, while fancy beeves were about nominal. The call for butchers' and canners' cattle was only fairly active, prices ruling unchanged. Few sales of cows occurred below \$2, and fat cows and heifers were firm at \$3@3.25, prime lots selling to a very limited extent at \$3.70@3.75. The stocker and feeder trade was not large, although the demand was good as the offerings were limited. Texas choice fed cattle were 10c higher to-day, and a sale was made of 100 head averaging 1,292 lbs at \$4.25. Hogs-Monday's big receipts have been followed by light arrivals, and it is considered evident that the Western supply is short. This is having a very strengthening effect on the market. There was the usual Quotations at St. Louis, Philadelphia,
Baltimore and Other Points.

ST. LOUIS, Jan. 16.—Flour dull and unchanged. Wheat opened stronger for futures on general news of a bullish nature, demand was not so urgent as it has been re-cently. Most of the sheep received to-day were disposed of at \$2.50@2.60 for natives, \$3.50@3.75 for Westerns, \$3.50@4 for yearlings

and \$3,80@4.85 for lambs. Receipts-Cattle 10,000; hogs, 23,000; sheep, ST. LOUIS, Jan. 16.-Cattle-Receipts, 3,shipments, 1,400. Market strong and

mostly \$2@2.50; Texas steers, grassers, \$2.65@ 3.10; fed, \$3@4.25; bulk of sales, \$3.25@3.75; cows and heifers, \$1,90@3, Hogs-Receipts, 7,900; shipments, 6,100. Market strong and 10@15c higher; heavy, \$3.80@3.95; mixed, \$3.65@3.90; light, \$3.70@3.85; bulk of sales, \$3.80@3.90. Sheep and Lambs-Receipts, 1,300; ship ments, none. Market strong and higher; native muttons, \$2.75@3.50; some Southwest mixed brought \$3.60; lambs, \$3.25@4.50; Southern sheep, \$2.25@3.25.

KANSAS CITY, Jan. 16.-Cattle-Receipts 4,300; shipments, 2,000. Market opened strong and 10c higher and closed weak; Texas steers, \$2.75@3.55; Texas cows, \$1.50 @2.60; beef steers, \$3@4.30; native cows, \$1.25@3.50; stockers and feeders, \$2.65@3.75; bulls, \$1.75@3. Hogs-Receipts, 8,900; shipments, 2,500. Market opened 10c higher and closed a shade weaker; bulk of sales, \$3.60@3.65; heavies, \$3.10@3.75; packers, \$3.55@8.70; mixed. \$3.55@3.70; lights. \$3.45@2.65; Yorkers, \$3.55@3.65; pigs, \$3.30@3.55.
Sheep-Receipts, 2,100; shipments, 300.
Market stronger; lambs, \$3.75@4.10; mut-

tons, \$2@3.60. EAST BUFFALO, Jan. 16.-Cattle-Recelpts, about 5 cars, all being on sale. The market ruled quiet and easy for all kinds. Hogs-Receipts, 25 cars. The market was fairly active. Yorkers, good to choice, \$4@ 4.10; pigs, common to fair, \$3.95@4. Sheep and Lambs-Receipts, 60 cars. The market was quiet. Lambs, choice to extra selected, \$4.85@6; Canada lambs, culls to common, \$4@4.50; sheep, choice to prime export wethers, \$3.50@3.75; culls and common, \$1.85@2.40.

NEW YORK, Jan. 16.-Beeves-Receipts. 583. European cables quote American re frigerator beef at 7@81/c. Calves-Receipts, 117. Market dull. Veals, \$4.50@7.75; barnyard calves, \$2.50@3 Sheep and Lambs—Receipts, 3,700. Sheep dull. Common to choice, \$2.50@3.87½; culls, \$1.75; lambs, \$4.40@5.12½ for medium to

Hogs-Receipts, 5,516. Market nominal at LOUISVILLE, Jan. 16.-Cattle market active and strong; stockers and feeders, \$2.35 @2.75; butchers', \$3.50@3.75. Hogs-Receipts, 1,400. Market strong and 10c higher; packers, \$3.90; choice medium weights, \$3.85@3.90; choice lights, \$3.85. Sheep and Lambs-Receipts, 285. Market quiet and easy. CINCINNATI, Jan. 16.-Hogs active and higher at \$3.50@4; receipts, 6,800; ship-Cattle steady at \$2.50@4.15; receipts, 600

and unchanged Hogs steady and nominally unchanged Sheep steady; export wethers, \$3.60@3.80; prime sheep, \$3.30@3.50; common, \$1.75@2; culls, 75c@\$1.25; lambs, \$2.50@4.90; veal calves,

shipments, 900. Lambs quiet at \$3@4.75.

Sheep easy at \$1.25@3.50; receipts, 500:

EAST LIBERTY, Jan. 16.-Cattle steady

shipments, 200

AS PARIS LOOKS AT IT. How the French People Would Enjoy an Anglo-American War.

Paris Letter in Boston Transcript.

Whatever may be thought in the higher political regions here respecting the bone of contention which is making Christmas so cheerful on both sides of the Atlantic. it it quite certain that the majority of French people who take any interest in for-eign politics would be well pleased if war were to break out between the two great Anglo-Saxon nations, because they know that whatever the result of the terrible struggle might be, England would come out of the fray much weaker than when she went into it. And it is the earnest desire of the French to see England considerably weakened. They believe that few opera-tions would serve their own interests better than that John Bull should undergo a good blood-letting at the hands of his brother Jonathan. This discussion of the English by the French, if were wholly explained by differences of character depending upon race, would include the Americans, for it was very strong in those days when the Anglo-Saxon people made one nation, and no reader of star-language ventured to pre-dict anything so unimaginable as a second England growing up in a world beyond the unexplored ocean wastes and becoming an enfant terrible. The ancestors of those Americans and Englishmen who have lately been contemplating the eventuality of again shedding one another's blood fought shoulder to shoulder at Crecy, Agincourt and Poitiers, and the day may come when they will fight shoulder to shoulder again. For blood is thicker than water, and the ultimate conflicts of humanity may re-solve themselves into questions of race and language. It may well be that the Latin races have an instinctive apprehension of this great danger to them in nension of this great danger to them in the next century or the succeeding one, and that it is pleasant to them to think of these Anglo-Saxons who are so for-midably prolific and energetic cutting one another's throats. The pleasure, however, will be long deferred unless some stronger

English a long and ruinous war with the United States. The steadily growing power of England in the Mediterranean during the present century is a cause of incessant irritation to France. Then, the position taken by England in Egypt is all the more vexatious and annoying to the French, because they know quite well that they have themselves to thank for it. Nothing would have been easier for them than to have continued the condominium which would have given them equal rights with England, and to occupy the country after the repression of Arabia's revolt, but they threw down the cards at the psychological moment, and left John to go on with the game without them. Now, a war with America, they say, would draw all the available British forces to the Western Hemisphere, and it would be as much as England could do in this part of the world to look after her chief strongholds in the Mediterranean. It would then be a matter of paramount necessity with her to avoid all risk of complications with France and Russia, and the best way of doing this would be to withdraw every red-coat from the valley of the Nile. Such are the ideas now working in the French mind. I can remember many a Christmas and New Year in France that has been darkned by rumors of war. This is not the case now. The latest runors of war enable the French to shrug their shoulders and say: "Tant pis pour les autres." They feel that they are not in it this time, and they like the sensation. They can enter this year into the spirit of the festival with a free mind. The Madagscar campaign is over; they have lost more than a third of their effective force—"Tant pis pour les morts"—but they have gained their object. They are quite determined not to be drawn into any Eastern imbroglio to save Armenian throats from Turkish knives, and they seem to have forgotten their quarrel with Germany, which is now a quarter of a century old. It is many years since they felt so free from external worry. It is true that there is a good deal of political agitation at home; but this they like, for it is the sauce that helps to season life. It gives them plenty to talk about, and makes the

reason for such a fratricidal struggle arise

Apart from racial animosity, it is easy to

perceive that the French have some rather strong political reasons for wishing the

than the Venezuela squabble

papers interesting. WOMEN MISSIONARIES WELCOMED. Bishop Tucker's Party Arrives on the Shores of Victoria Nyanza.

The progress of Bishop Tucker with his

Edinburgh Scotsman.

party of the first lady missionaries who had penetrated the protectorate of eastern Africa up to Victoria Nyanza was most remarkable. After leaving the hospitality of the Scots missionaries at Kibweri, they reached Machako's, higher up, where the officials of the fort and the gardens regaled them with English vegetables and fruits and Cape gooseberries, while strawberries were sent to them from a charming settlement exactly on the equator, proving that the climate of upper Ukambani is one of the best in Africa.

The Bishop and his two medical companions, when hunting for food in Kikuyu, were attacked by a herd of lions, from which they were wise enough slowly to withdraw looking them full in the face. On leaving Fort Smith and approaching Lake Navalsha, Dr. Baxter registered the lowest temperature yet recorded in central Africa. of thirty-seven degrees, being only seven degrees above freezing point. Lake Elmeteita, as they marched along its shores, reminded them of some of the Italian lakes. They passed the return caravan of porters who had taken up the section of the William Mackinnon steamer, but had thrown away eighteen of the parts because these were too heavy, so that "the prospect of the steamer being at work on the lake within the next five years is very remote.' The party passed in safety through the Eldoma ravine, where, soon after, the massacre of a large caravan was reported. At last, on the 4th of October, Mengo, the capital of Uganda, was reached. Three weeks before that greetings in advance met the travelers in Kabirondo. At Ngogwe, in Kyagwe, the women ran along by the side of the ladies' chairs, grasping their hands and crying out joyful exclamations. At Mengo itself the whole population—Protestant and Romanist, Mohammedan and heathens-turned out, so that they could hardly proceed. Sir Geram Portal's welcome in March, 1893, was fine, but was nothing to this. At church on Sunday, Oct. 6, at least six thousand people worshiped within and without the building, while the bishop preached, and there were three hundred communicants. In the previous nine months

as the base from which to civilize the south ern and Nile countries to the north and northeast. I hear from the Sese islands, in the Victoria Nyanza lake, and the country immediately around the headwaters of the Nile, that the progress there, under the missionary Gordon, is only less remarkable. There, as well as at Mengo, "vast numbers" of the people can read, and have bought "thousnads of copies of the New Testament," so that the Roman Catholics also insist on having copies of the Gospels in the Luganda tongue.

CHICAGO DIVORCE FACTS.

The Average Duration of the Tie Before Severance Is Five Years.

Chicago News. In the chambers of Judge Tuley's court is a plie of books about five feet high, comprising all the notes that venerable jurist has taken during the time he has been on the bench. Judge Tuley is a rapid writer, and his notes are very elaborate. In some instances he has taken down the evidence in long hand so quickly and accurately that he has been able to settle disputes between conflicting shorthand reporters. In regard to divorces Judge Tuley has

some very interesting memoranda. In taking notes on a divorce case the Judge makes it a practice to make mention of the cause of divorce and the length of time the dissatisfied couple has been married. On these pages of his note books are from twenty to thirty cases to the page. It is a remarkable fact that in almost every instance, if the length of time the couples have been mar-ried be added together and divided by the total number of cases on the page, the average will almost invariably be five years. This is the case throughout, and though the time that married couples have lived together in harmony runs all the way from a few days to almost half a century in some instances, the average is five years. The case in which the parties were the oldest and had been living together the longest that came up before Judge Tuley was one in which a woman of eighty-two was suing for a divorce from her husband, who was two years her senior. The evidence showed that the woman had become jealous of a thirty-five-year-old niece of her husband's. "The case came up before me," said Judg's Tuley, "and I was asked to hurry it, lest one of the parties die. I replied that I would do nothing to hurry such a case, and, while I never have wished for any one's death, I did hope the Lord would interfere and take the case off my hands. Sure enough, in about six months, before the case came to a final hearing, the old man was called away and I was relieved of the disagreeable task of sitting on a divorce case where the coualmost fifty years.'

cases where the Iltigants live together scarcely more than a week. In these cases desertion is the usual charge.

In contrast to this the Judge cites many

Fervid Tribute to a Great Man.

New York Sun. Of all sweet things of tongue or pen, of all the honeyed flowers of compliments and taffy-dripping speech, the sweetest that has been or shall be comes from Chicago. Comes from the lips of an alderman, and flows more fragrant than the oil on Aaron's head, adown the classic cranium of the statesman whom the gods call Bath House John. The latter was lifting his voice as high as he could in favor of the so-called General Electric ordinance at a meeting of the Common Council the other night. Another alderman interjected this remark, destined to be in all the anthologies of epigram: "John, if I had your courage, I would break into the First National Bank." If anything finer than this has been said anywhere by anybody, kindly send particulars to this of-

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